



Downtown Organization of Santa Barbara Harriet Miller Youth Leadership Award \$500 Scholarship



Eligibility Requirements and Additional Information

The Harriet Miller Youth Leadership Award is given to an outstanding youth in the Santa Barbara area in recognition of their leadership and community service. The Downtown Organization presents the Award in honor of former Mayor Harriet Miller's contributions to local youth and youth leadership.

Eligibility:

- Must be a high school senior in the Santa Barbara Unified School District or a resident of the City of Santa Barbara.
- Minimum GPA 2.5 (verification may be required).
- Completed a minimum of 45 community service hours by the application deadline (verification may be required).

Applicants Must Submit:

- **One Letter of Recommendation:** Must be from a teacher, counselor, or mentor with whom you are associated.
- **Essay:** A personal essay should be submitted following one of these two themes: "What role, if any, should youth leaders play in supporting victims of natural disasters, such as Hurricane Sandy or in helping others prepare for natural disasters?" Or "The Santa Barbara School District now has drug-sniffing dogs. Do you feel that this measure is an evasion of student rights? And, as a youth leader, what means would you address your support or non-support of this." The essay should be typed, double-spaced, 12pt font, and a maximum of two pages. Include your name at the top left corner of the paper.
- **Completed Application:** Complete the attached application or download the application at www.santabarbaraca.gov

Additional Information:

Scholarship Applications must be returned to the Neighborhood and Outreach Services Supervisor in person or by mail, at 1232 De la Vina Street (Louise Lowry Davis Center office) Santa Barbara, CA 93101. **Application deadline is December 21, 2012. Mailed applications must be postmarked by December 21, 2012.**

Selection Process

A selection committee comprised of representatives from youth leadership groups and the Downtown Organization will review all applications and choose a recipient.

Once a decision has been made the recipient will be notified by telephone and email by January 4th. **The award and scholarship check will be presented at a luncheon scheduled for January 10, 2012. The honoree, and a guest, should plan to attend the luncheon.**

If you have questions regarding the Harriet Miller Youth Leadership Award, please contact Ashleigh Davis, Downtown Organization at 962-2098, ext. 22, or Susan Young, Neighborhood and Outreach Services at 897-2652.